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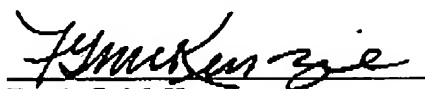
REMARKS

The Office action dated September 5, 2006, has been carefully reviewed and the foregoing amendment has been made in response thereto. Claims 1-16 stand rejected under 35 USC 102(b) as being anticipated by USP 3,527,121 of Moore. Claims 1 and 9, the independent claims in this application, have been amended to incorporate the elements of Claims 7 and 10, respectively. As amended, Claims 1 and 9 recite that the gear teeth on each long pinion are engaged with the gear teeth on two short pinions, located angularly between each long pinion.

In Figure 2 Moore discloses, and its specification describes, that the long pinions are in mesh with only one short pinion and with a sun gear, whereas the claims of this application recite that each long pinion is in mesh with two adjacent short pinions. Support for this is present in the specification at page 6, line 29 through page 7, line 3, Figures 3 and 4.

In view of the foregoing amendment and remarks, claims 1-16 are now in condition for allowance. Favorable action is respectfully solicited.

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